GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF WORSHIP PLACES AS TOURIST SPOTS IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of places of worship developed as tourist spots in Bihar;

(b) whether the Union Government have received any proposal to provide financial assistance to the State Government; and

(c) if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a), (b) & (c): Development of tourist places is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/UT Administrations. The Department of Tourism, however, provides financial assistance for integrated development of tourism circuits and product/infrastructure and destination development projects identified in consultation with them. A project for integrated development of Vaishali-Nalanda-Rajgir-Bodhgaya- Varanasi Circuit with Central financial component of Rs.505.00 lakhs for works in Biharhas been sanctioned during the current financial year.